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 A Response to Restriction Requirement (6 Pages).

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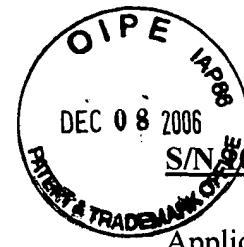
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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Applicant has reviewed the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 15, 2006.  
Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.